

Dear Members of the City Council,

The following is a summary of recent activities covering the past week:

Code Enforcement

1100 Block of Baker: Continuing complaints and observations of transients camping and urinating on the business property. **Visited location and observed evidence to support the complaint. Transients made aware of complaint and left the area. Manager/owner working with PD to enforce trespass laws.**

2300 Block of Newport Blvd: Multiple reports of transients camping on business property and performing bathroom duties on two business properties. **Observed known transients camping on one of the properties. The persons observed have been warned by owners multiple times to stay off property. One transient stated that one of the business owners gave permission to camp in the parking lot. Spoke to the business owner who admitted he allowed them to sleep on his front parking lot but was unaware transients were urinating/defecating on neighboring business property. Upon suggestion both owners met to discuss the impacts and worked out a solution.**

- **Day after owners spoke a female transient was observed sleeping at the front entrance to one of the affected businesses. Female was contacted and made aware of the ongoing issues on the property. Female was not from Costa Mesa. Female was given contact info for Outreach workers to gain contact info for help in Huntington Beach. Female accepted the info but became very verbally aggressive as she cleared the area.**

Gisler Park: Male transient observed camping inside a play structure of the playground with trash/debris scattered inside the structure and over the playground. Transient had been there from the evening hours. **Male was asked to clean up his trash and to clear his items from the structure. Structure smelled of urine. Male was warned about being in the park after dusk. Male was observed yelling and swearing as he left the area. Male waited at nearby bus stop where he boarded a bus. City maintenance was called to pressure wash the structure.**

2800 Block of Fairview: Continuing reports and observations of transients camping on the private property where past trespass and vandalism has occurred. **PD is monitoring and property managers decided to make landscape modifications to deter.**

Success Story: Code Enforcement, with the help of Outreach and the VA, housed a Vietnam Veteran who had been homeless for over 18 years.

Outreach

New Client: Outreach and OC Mental Health met with a newly released parolee at a local park. Client was suffering from alcohol withdrawal. Outreach called for an ambulance and

learned that the client failed to take his prescribed medication after his release from Hoag Hospital. Client indicated that he is veteran, but does not have any verification to prove his military services. Outreach is attempting to verify his military status.

New Client: Outreach met a homeless veteran at a local shopping center. Client indicated that he currently resides in the jungle (Talbert Park) and is motivated to find a job and housing. Outreach encouraged client to connect with county-based resources for general assistance.

New Client: Outreach and OC Mental Health met with a non-resident client and explored various relocation options. Client indicated being overwhelmed and uncertain about the transition. OC Mental Health provided resources that addressed client's mental health and financial issues.

New Client: Outreach and Park Ranger met with recovery home dropout. Client expressed the need to re-enroll in another rehabilitation program. Outreach provided drug rehabilitation resources.

Contact: The police department contacted Outreach regarding an elderly homeless alcoholic client who calls them numerous times regarding false emergencies. Outreach emailed client's son to seek assistance. Outreach will connect client to services to address his alcoholism. However, client previously service resistant.

Linkage Documentation: Outreach assisted an elderly homeless client complete a social security application to receive her retirement benefits.

Linkage Documentation: Outreach met with a client recently released from jail. Outreach performed a housing assessment and client provided disability verification paperwork.

Linkage Mental Health: Outreach, OC Mental Health, and a volunteer advocated for severely mentally ill client to be hospitalized at a local mental hospital. He was admitted and is currently being treated.

Linkage Social Services: A veteran client reported a delay in his Veteran benefits. Outreach encouraged client to visit the Santa Ana social services office and speak with a representative.

Linkages Social Services: Outreach met two chronically disabled clients at General Relief office in Santa Ana. Client also met with Public Consulting Group representative to complete paperwork for social security appeal cases for both clients. Public Consulting Group is a company which has been hired by the County of Orange to assist with supplemental social security applications for eligible clients receiving General Relief.

Linkage Medical: Outreach, Broken Hearts Ministries and Trellis collaborated to transfer chronically disabled senior client into assisted living facility. Outreach went to skilled nursing facility to speak with the social worker and met with the client and volunteers to ensure that client will receive Assisted Living Waiver upon release from the skilled nursing facility.

Linkage Temporary Housing: Outreach met with a newly homeless senior client and connected him to a temporary housing facility. Outreach has setup an appointment with Social Security and encouraged client to apply for benefits.

Other: Outreach met a chronically homeless female who was squatting in an abandoned building. Outreach explained intake hours to client and discussed resource options to address her homelessness.

Other: Park Ranger and Outreach visited a county owned park to meet with homeless individuals illegally camping at the park.

Other: Outreach has collaborated with Costa Mesa Police Department to provide a chronically homeless client a wheel chair.

Other: Outreach has collaborated with Code Enforcement making early morning sweeps reaching out to new individuals in the community.

Other: Police referred chronically disabled senior client to outreach. Outreach contacted public health nurse to set up appointment with neurologist as well as psychiatrist and medical detoxification/rehabilitation facility.

Community Impact Team: Community Impact Team (CIT) worked at Mariners Church in Newport and Soup Kitchen performing sanitization and maintenance roles.

Temporarily housed independently/CIT: Trellis linked a temporary housing resource to a client who is a Community Impact Team member.

Network for Homeless Solutions

Team met with owners of design studio on Newport Blvd to collaborate on solutions to ongoing concerns with transients on that property.

Rick met with County staff on formulating a plan to reduce transient issues in Talbert Park.